

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 724

By Person

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Hunt Orman
on the celebration of their 70th wedding
anniversary.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to help special citizens celebrate
milestones in their venerable lives; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Venora Orman was born in Webster County, Mississippi near the town
of Houston; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Orman is a native of Gibson County, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the two lovebirds first met in Calhoun, Mississippi and briefly lived there
after their nuptial event; and

WHEREAS, in 1928, Edgar Hunt and Venora Orman were joined in holy matrimony, and
since that fateful day this loving couple has shared the joys and sorrows of life's journey, facing
the world as one; and

WHEREAS, the Ormans soon moved to Calhoun, Mississippi, where they opened their
first highly successful jewelry store, Orman's Jewelry Store; and

WHEREAS, the Orman family next moved to Memphis, which they were proud to call
home for 56 years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Orman has always been fascinated by jewelry; he previously published
his own estimable jewelry-related journal, *Mississippi Valley Watchmakers and Jewelers*
Purchasing Journal and served astutely as the president of the Tennessee Horological Society;
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WHEREAS, Mr. Orman also possesses an everlasting passion for politics; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of this interest, he founded Concerned Citizens for Better Government and served with distinction as that worthy organization's president; and

WHEREAS, while her husband was active in the arenas of business and politics, Mrs. Orman kept the home fires burning as an accomplished homemaker and devoted wife and mother; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Orman are currently residents of Sevierville and have been highly respected citizens of that community for several years; and

WHEREAS, the Ormans are devout Christians who express their abiding faith and joy in the Lord as members of the Sevierville Church of Christ; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Orman previously served with devotion as an Elder at the Highland Street Church of Christ during the couple's august tenure in Memphis; and

WHEREAS, for twenty-five outstanding years, he published the excellent and informative *Tri-State Christian Observer*, which served as the news organ of the Church of Christ congregation within the Tri-State area; and

WHEREAS, he also served with acumen and probity as a sealed representative for the *Herald of Truth* television program in Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Ormans are the very epitome of good neighbors, always ready with a kind word and eager to lend a helping hand to those in need; and

WHEREAS, this fine couple's blessed union has produced two children, each of whom has made her mark on the world and is highly successful in her own right; the Ormans' children are Wanda Orman-Davis of Memphis and Reba Anne Orman, who resides with her parents in Sevierville; and

WHEREAS, the Ormans are the proud grandparents of Theresa Anne Fulwood and they also have two great-grandchildren, Allen Micheal Fulwood and Christy Shannon Fulwood, all of Millington, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, for 70 years this union has endured to stand as a testament to the power of love and family; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as the Ormans' are truly the rock-solid foundation upon which our society is built and a beacon of sanity and continuity in these turbulent times; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby pause to honor and congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Hunt Orman as they celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary and extend to them our best wishes for much continued happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.